

Criminal Justice Team - Adult  
Lancaster County Substance Abuse Action Coalition  
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1. John Hill from US Probation sat in for Dave Goehring.
2. The next meeting was set for July 27, 7:30 a.m., at 555 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street.
3. Who else do we need at this table?
  - a. John will talk to Dave Goehring about a rep from US Attorney's Office.
  - b. Steve will talk to Judge Flowers or Judge Yardley.
4. The main idea: We want to create a seamless system for offenders out of several disparate groups. There are public and private substance abuse service systems and the criminal justice system. We discussed "seamless" as meaning "filling in the gaps." For example, one gap in the system comes when a criminal justice person sees a substance abuse evaluation with recommendations. The CJ person may not know if those are the initial recommendations or what the offender negotiated. There is also a lack of connection among the various evaluations done by the CJ system. Parole is unconnected to corrections, unconnected to probation, unconnected to diversion. Add mental health issues and the problem becomes overwhelming. About half of jail people are taking a psychotropic med.
5. The State submitted a grant to HHS for up to \$15 million a year in a voucher system. We should hear about it in August.
6. The Standardized model - Evaluation: Steve will be implementing the SSI (Simple Screening Instrument) training for probation officers in July or August. SSI results will be in their MIS.
7. Soon, CJ will be sending the risk assessments and prior arrest records to SA evaluators. The ASI evaluation format will be implemented as it is determined who will be allowed to do ASI, in addition to CADAC's.
8. The Standardized model - Treatment: The treatment aspect of Standard Model will make it so that we all talk the same language about levels of care. PSI (Pre-sentence investigation) officer says that he gets recommendations that don't fit what they know about the CJ issues of the offender.
9. Ultimately, to have a system where all these things are tracked.
10. Pre-trial release for people in jail, accepted into tx. If it's a residential tx or IOP program that they could do it on a "treatment release." Like work release. Dennis and Kim are looking

11. Some judges and other criminal justice people visited a Day Reporting Center. Usually, a DRC is part of a pre-trial program where they come in each day with a schedule for their day. They would have a variety of assigned activities. It keeps the jail population down. They start with only non-violent offenders. If that works, then they begin work with some non-violent. Ideally, if they are doing well pre-trial, then they would be sentenced to the department of community corrections.
12. Kim is now overseeing Adult Drug Court – It is on a Federal Grant that runs out in August, so it is moving to Community Corrections. Offenders generally pay for their treatment in order to graduate.